

REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION

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DECEMBER 21, 2004

FROM: Thomas L. Sutton, Director
Special Districts Department

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO WASTEWATER EFFLUENT IRRIGATION
AGREEMENT NO. 04-70

RECOMMENDATION: Acting as the governing body of Crestline Sanitation District (District), approve Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 04-70 with Rancho Las Flores, LLC (Ranch) allowing the District to use certain Ranch property for the disposal of treated wastewater and ground water recharge, for a one year period from January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005 at no cost to the District.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The District provides sewage collection, treatment and disposal service to the mountain community of Crestline. the sewage is biologically treated to the secondary level. The secondary effluent is disinfected with chlorine and then transported via an 11-mile District outfall pipeline that runs north from the Crestline area, along State Hwy. 138 around Silverwood Lake and is discharged onto property located in Summit Valley. The effluent irrigation/disposal area in Summit Valley consists of 25 acres owned by the District and 160 acres owned by the Ranch. This method of effluent disposal for flood irrigation has been ongoing since 1973 for the irrigation of Sudan and other wild grasses that are used as fodder for cattle/horses, as well as for ground water recharge.

This effluent disposal method arrangement has been for the mutual benefit of the District and the Ranch and is in conformance with Waste Discharge Requirements for the District/Ranch issued by the State Water Quality Control Board, Lahonton Region and both parties have agreed to extend the term of the agreement for one year, until December 31, 2005 with an annual renewable option. The current agreement that defines this arrangement expires on December 31, 2004, and was originally approved by the Board of Supervisors on January 27, 2004.

Approval of this amendment to Agreement No. 04-70 will enable the District to continue to safely dispose of the wastewater effluent to the mutual benefit of the District and Ranch.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY OTHERS: This action has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel (L. Thomas Krahelski, Deputy, 387-5439) on December 7, 2004, and by the County Administrative Office, (Wayne Thies, Administrative Analyst, 387-5409) on December 10, 2004.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT: There are no financial obligations to the District associated with using Ranch property to dispose of treated wastewater.

COST REDCUCTION REVIEW: The County Administrative Office has reviewed this agenda item and concurs with the Department's request and recommends this action based on the need for this service and the general health, welfare and safety of the citizens residing in the District. The expenditures for this service will have no impact on the County's General Fund.

SUPERVISORAL DISTRICT: First and Second

PRESENTER: Thomas L. Sutton (387-9625)